



Foxwell will Ship Hogs Sat., Dec. 29, Instead of Dec. 26, as Previously Advertised The Times Joins With Its Advertisers in Wishing You a Merry Christmas

NEWS ITEMS FROM JARROW

FUNERAL OF MRS. AMBROSE FIRKUS

The funeral service of Mrs. Ambrose Firkus, who passed away at her home on Monday, December 10th, at the age of 35 years, was held Friday morning at 11 o'clock in the Jarrow United church. Rev. R. W. Griffith officiated.

Interment took place in the Innisfree cemetery.

Mrs. Firkus was born in Arthur, Ontario, in the year 1899.

She came west with her people who settled in Innisfree in 1906.

In 1914 Mrs. Firkus taught school in the Batt district.

In 1923 she was united in marriage to Ambrose Firkus.

To this union four children were born, one girl and three boys.

The departed leaves to mourn her loss, her husband, four children, her aged mother and two sisters, besides a host of friends whose esteem and love were shown in the beauty of many beautiful floral tributes which were received from relatives and friends: Husband and children; Grandmother; Marshall Burns; Mr. and Mrs. Manners; Willis and George; Ernest and Frances Marion; Owen and Jessie of Vermilion; Mr. and Mrs. W. Comley; Mr. and Mrs. G. Comley; Miss Gladys Smith; Mr. and Mrs. R. Heron; Mr. H. F. Pendleton and children; Mr. and Mrs. Lissom; Mr. and Mrs. Pete Lindquist; Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Harper; Mr. and Mrs. W. Boyd; Mr. and Mrs. H. Bartram; Mr. and Mrs. Martin Jacobs; Mr. and Mrs. B. Nyblom; Metropolitan School; Valley School Board; Melgrave Valley Guides and Brownies; Jarrow Ladies' Aid; Victory Lodge No. 112; Miss Edith Johnson, and Miss Daisy Johnson, Edmonton; Mr. and Mrs. B. Yakes; Mr. and Mrs. W. Grover; Mr. and Mrs. A. McGregor; Mr. and Mrs. W. Jamieson.

Christmas service will be held at the Jarrow United church at 1 o'clock Sunday, Dec. 23rd. A short program will be rendered by the Sunday school children.

We are sorry to learn of the illness of Mr. and Mrs. D. Whidden.

Rev. and Mrs. Geeson and daughter, Gladys, of Irma, were callers at the manse Saturday last. We are pleased to learn that Mr. Geeson is improving in health.

Miss Eileen Meakins has returned to Viking and is spending Christmas holidays with her parents.

CARD OF THANKS

I wish to express my deep appreciation to the many friends for their faithful service rendered and to those who so kindly revealed expressions of sympathy during my recent bereavement.

Signed, Ambrose Firkus.

Irma Times for Job Printing.

NOTES OF INTEREST OF BUSY KINSELLA

Mrs. Garvie and Mrs. Ferries entertained at tea at the home of Mrs. Garvie in honor of Mrs. Eaton who has gone to live at Hawkins.

The Ladies' Aid held their annual meeting at the home of Mrs. P. J. Wangness on Thursday afternoon, December 13th. All officers were re-elected for the coming year.

Mrs. E. Williams spent several days in Edmonton this week.

Mrs. Fraser of Toronto is at present visiting her sister-in-law, Mrs. C. Arkinstall Sr.

Mr. A. Wadden of Irma visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. B. Neese. Messrs. E. Lancaster, M. McBride and J. Knudson spent last week end in Edmonton.

Quite a number of young people from Kinsella attended the dance at Irma on Friday night.

Mrs. Kyle, Mrs. Ferries and Mrs. Garvie spent Monday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. V. Justik and Mr. and Mrs. L. Beschell and baby daughter of Kilian were visitors in town on Tuesday.

Mrs. B. Watcher spent last weekend in Edmonton.

The annual Christmas concert will be held in Kinsella school on Dec. 20. The Kinsella junior choir will render a Christmas program in Kinsella United church at 8 o'clock Sunday evening, December 23rd.

Irma Wins Over Holden

Irma, Dec. 18.—The third win for Irma in the Gas Line League took place on the home ice Monday evening, between Irma and Holden. Although not a particularly fast game, some splendid hockey was witnessed by the large crowd of fans. F. Lukens scored the first goal in the first period, while F. Maguire and E. Lane scored one each in the third for Irma. Dick Yoeman the goalie playing an exceptionally fine game kept the Holden team scoreless. The standing of the teams is as follows: Viking 8; Irma 6; Holden 4; Tofield 0.

BIRTHS

A baby girl was born to Mr. and Mrs. Garfield Coulter at the Manville hospital on Wednesday, Dec. 5.

To Mr. and Mrs. Tony Wozny, at the Viking hospital, on Monday, December 10th, a son.

Before It Breaks

Jane—“What do you do when you see an unusually beautiful girl?”

Anna—“I look for a while, then I get tired and lay the mirror down.”

Last Minute Christmas Wants

Fill your last minute needs in Christmas supplies from our well assured stock of Christmas Goods

Very Best Wishes for a
Merry Christmas and a
Happy New Year.

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If Every Day Were Christmas

WHAT if every day were Christmas? The suggestion at first blush is perhaps not altogether agreeable. One can imagine numerous protests against the idea because of the excesses to which many go on Christmas holidays. Let it be granted freely that Christmas is misused, that it is a season of excesses and extremes; even so, who among us would not like to have the excesses of the holidays and the hardship it works on many in there not a rainbow of glory over every recurring Christmas there is.

Christmas is a season of prophetic idealism and a rebuke to selfish living. At the approach of the anniversary of our Lord's birth, men and women whose thoughts are mostly of self seek to be rid of this idea of the idea of serving others and making others happy; excesses even the blight of the individual. Somehow, the idea that it is more blessed to give than to hagis, finds lodgment in minds unused to tender and benevolent thoughts. For a brief period, cruel competitions that so sorely grind human society are lessened if not forgotten. For the time being, all humanity seems to be on the up and up. There is a delight in seeing everyone joyful.

The foreigner is made welcome. The barriers are broken, and there come even into hard faces some softness. The spirit of Christmas penetrates even behind stone walls, and the prisoner is made to know that he is still remembered and that society has not abandoned hope in him.

Christmas is the one season of the year when we are especially near to Jesus. The spirit of the Saviour on the Mount seems practicable then. The Beatitudes are hardly fit for man. Even the great words, “Peace on earth, good-will toward men,” actually appear workable at Christmastide. The old text so precious, so peculiarly appropriate, John 3:16, finds lodgment in our heart of hearts: “For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish, but have eternal life.” This comes into our minds as the Lord taught, but that now we take Him at His word; we share, we give, we sacrifice, we find a new joy growing out of these very practical and beautiful ministrations.

SCHOOL REPORT

Senior Room—R. L. Martin

Grade VIII—	Margaret 57.2
Louisa 72.2	Donald 56.4
Arthur 72.1	Percy 53.8
Gladys 71.8	Ronald 48.8
Harry 65.9	Harvey 42.15
Clifford 63.3	Grade VI—
Ethel 59.9	Marjorie 79.7
James 67.7	Barbara 76.6
Arthur L. 42.2	Jacqueline 74
Harry 41.6	Albert 73.5
Grade VII—	Marian 68.4
Grade VIII—	Elsie 66.8
Mark 70.6	Evelyn 64.6
Allison 69.6	James 63
Philip 67	Willie 46.3
Edison 66.1	Leslie 34.1
Marie 64.2	Grade V—
Ruth 63.3	Lloyd 62.9
Stella 61.7	Leo 61.4
Bob 62.9	Frank Balind
	Class average 55.
Grade IV—	Vera Zimmerman 94
Haviland Elford	Susie McKay 90
Theodore Hill	87
Marjorie Webber	86
Muriel Wilbraham	85
Tony Sonney	84
Ivor Thurston	80
Edna Arnold	79
Frank Balind	75
	Class average 55.
Grade III—	Kathleen Jones 93
Ross McFarland	90
Audrey Jones	88
Elmina Hill	86
Irene Glasow	81
Agnes Beargen	75
Arnold Larson	68
Everett Beacock	65
Doris Guitlitter	64
	Class average 73.
Grade II—	Olive Thurston 81

L.O.L. Hold Special Meeting

A special meeting of the Irma L.O.L. to which the L.O.B.A. were invited was held in Simmons hall Saturday evening, with a good attendance from Irma, Wainwright and Edgerton, enjoying hearing the special speaker, Provincial Grand Master Darby, and members from Edmonton and visiting lodges. One gratifying thing in P.G.M. Darby's address was the report on the purchasing of a suitable building in the city of Edmonton for an orphan home. This was done a few months ago by the L.O.B.A. lodges of Alberta, and although Irma's ladies' lodge is one of the youngest in the province they felt proud to have had a small part in this much needed work, and for this purpose are sponsoring a card party and dance on Wednesday evening, January 9th.

The Irma Village Council met in the village office on Friday evening, December 14th.

United Church Notes

The services next Sunday will be at Albert, Alma, Mater and Irma at the usual hours. The services will be appropriate for the Christmas season, and will be in charge of the Rev. J. R. Geeson. In town there will be special music by the choir.

Once again in the march of time we have come to the happy season of the year when we commemorate the birth of our Lord. The Bethlehem story with its manger, the Judean shepherds, the Wise Men from the East, the song of the ancient Simeon—all are fraught with significant meaning for us. We simply cannot measure the great change that has taken place in the life of humanity by reason of this event. The growth of the spirit of humanity and brotherhood has meant a great deal for the human race. The ideals of peace and righteousness have come to the fore envisioning greater things yet to be.

But we need to see more than this. We need to see that in this event, God came into our human life. The Divine became flesh and dwelt among us, not only that He might illustrate grace and truth, but that He might impart a new quality of virtue and goodness to men.

Captain Hardy, last Sunday, reminded us that we must make room in our hearts for the Saviour. There was no room for Him in the inn at Bethlehem; is there room for Him in all the busyness of our life? Our Christmas joy will be determined by what we understand of this great event—if it is understood as “Emmanuel” (God with us) then our joy will be great indeed. In this happy season when we think more kindly of others, when families and friends gather together, let us not forget God's great Gift to us. May Christmas be a happy time for all our readers in the thought of the Christ-child who came to bring joy, peace and salvation to the world.

It must be fun to own a good race horse. To own some 20 or more of the fast ones was the lot of Connie Smythe in Toronto. Then along came one of those mean firebugs, and put a match to the stables, burning up that aristocratic group of horseflesh. One horse being alone valued at \$20,000, the fire caused a lot of grief both sentimentally and financially.

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Wedding Bells

CARTER—BESS

A quiet but pretty wedding was solemnized at the Anglican Church, Wainwright, on December 14th, when Miss Irene Bess, formerly of Jenner, Alberta, and Mr. James Carter, son of Mr. Harry Carter of Irma, were united in marriage by C. N. Bateman.

After the ceremony Rev. and Mrs. Bateman served supper to the happy couple, who will make their home in Irma.

The Times wishes this popular couple many happy and prosperous years together.

NOTICE TO READERS AND ADVERTISERS

There will be no issue of the Irma Times for December 28th, or January 4th. The next paper will be published on Friday, January 11th, 1935. Please have your copy in early for events that happened during the holidays, also advertising copy. Thanks, E. W. Carter, local editor.

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We wish you all a Very Merry Christmas and that the New Year may bring you greater prosperity.

Irma Trading Co. Ltd.

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Good Wishes for Xmas
and the Coming Year
To All

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Sincere Good Wishes
for the Coming Year**

Sincerely,

The Imperial Lumber Co. Ltd.
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Season's Compliments

Another year is drawing to a close and it is again my privilege to extend to you and your cordial Christmas greetings and best wishes for a New Year of health and happiness.

I hope to assure you that we appreciate your friendship and trust our future relations may be equally pleasant and mutually satisfactory.

Yours very truly,

JACK FLETCHER,

IRMA HARDWARE

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CANADIAN PACIFIC

Main Street

The Irma public school will open again on Wednesday, January 2nd.

Mrs. Lee and son Leslie, of Viking, visited their daughter and sister, Mrs. K. Edgar, the first of this week.

Com. Hardy of the Albert district took charge of the service in Irma last Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Simmons left for their new home in Edberg on Friday, December 14th.

E. W. Carter will be in Edmonton Friday of this week on village business.

Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Marsden and family have moved into the house formerly occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Simmons.

The next league hockey game to be played in Irma will be on Saturday evening, December 29, between Irma and Viking.

Miss Helen Knudsen has been home from Edmonton for a week or more with a sore throat but is recovering slowly.

Rev. Mr. Geeson arrived home from Edmonton on Saturday, December 15, but has not recovered completely from his ear trouble as yet.

Mrs. N. G. Johnson was operated on in the Royal Alex. hospital for appendicitis. Latest reports are that she is doing nicely.

Miss Mabel and Clara Enger are expected to spend part of the holiday season with their brothers, O. and M. Enger.

Mr. Foxwell has changed his shiping day to Saturday, Dec. 29th, instead of Dec. 26th, as advertised last week.

A very enjoyable Christmas concert was put on in the Sunny Brae school house by the teacher, Miss Phyllis Thurston and pupils, last Tuesday evening.

Mr. Thos. McLean is about to take a three-weeks' holiday. Mr. C. L. Wittmann of Viking arrived last Wednesday to take his place in the bank.

A friendly game of hockey was played in Irma on Saturday evening, December 15th, between Irma and Wainwright and was won by the latter team, the final score being 3-2.

Mr. James Fenton received word this past week of the passing of his aunt, Mrs. Mary Perley, of Chatham, N. B. Mrs. Perley was in her one-hundred and fourth year, was only ill a few days and was blessed with a quiet passing.

Ladies' Aid Annual Meeting

The annual meeting of the ladies' aid was held in the Irma United church on Thursday last. The president, Mrs. Tripp, conducted the meeting. Roll call, nine members present. Treasurer reported a balance of \$61.48 on hand.

Moved by Mrs. Geeson and Mrs. Arnold, the Aid donate \$25 to the M. and M. fund. Carried.

In the absence of Rev. Mr. Geeson, Mrs. Geeson was named chairman for the election of officers. Acting secretary read resignation of Mrs. Tripp as president, but it was not officially accepted. Those present felt a good year's work had been accomplished under trying circumstances and Mrs. Tripp had carried on admirably. A unanimous vote was cast in favor of Mrs. Tripp returning. Mrs. E. W. Carter was elected secretary and Mrs. M. T. Knudsen treasurer. The appointment of vice-presidents were left over until the January meeting. The secretary reported an enrollment of 29 members, paid up 17. Number of meetings held 11. Average attendance 13.3. Treasurer reported having raised two hundred and twenty three dollars during the year. This was gratifying as it was more than the previous year, enabling the Aid to do some much needed work on the manse and church.

The meeting closed with the hymn "Blest be the tie that binds."

**G. McGeer Elected
Mayor of Vancouver**

Gerry McGeer, Liberal M.L.A. of Vancouver, and monetary expert, Wednesday night was swept into the office of mayor of Vancouver with a huge majority of 25,477 votes over his opponent Mayor L. D. Taylor. McGeer received a total of more than 34,000 votes against 9,000 odd for Taylor.

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CHRISTMAS TIME

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Farmer-Creditor Act

It has been somewhat surprising to note the numbers of farmers in the province who are making application for adjustment of their affairs under the Farmer-Creditor Act. These are so numerous as to raise the question of whether or not everyone realizes the full import of the act.

Once having placed his affairs under the administration of the act, the farmer must meet the new obligations, or, failing to do so, any of his creditors may force him into bankruptcy. He is no longer under the protection of the Debt Adjustment Act of the province, which is entirely different legislation.

The Farmer-Creditor Act has been designed for the relief of the farmer, but it has a finality that perhaps not fully appreciated. It has established a medium by which he may re-arrange his affairs with the agreement of all his creditors but once having consented to a reduction of the original debt, the creditors can scarcely be expected to exercise further patience if the debtor fails to live up to his agreement.

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If he is fortunate, there should be no difficulty in living up to his agreements under the Farmer-Creditor Act. If his crop is laid low two or three seasons in succession, as has happened, he would probably have difficulty in meeting the terms of his Farmer-Creditor agreements. His only hope would be in the judge who may use discretion, when failure is not the farmer's fault.

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